

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
EUGENE DISTRICT OFFICE

DECISION RECORD DOCUMENTATION and FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
Hult Pond Bridge Repair
Environmental Assessment No. OR090-EA-00-06

FONSI:

On the basis of the information contained in the Environmental Assessment, and all other information available to me, it is my determination that implementation of the proposed action will not have significant environmental impacts beyond those already addressed in the *Record of Decision (ROD) for Amendments to Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management Planning Documents Within the Range of the Northern Spotted Owl* (April 1994) and the *Eugene District Record of Decision and Resource Management Plan* (June 1995), with which this EA is in conformance, and does not constitute a major federal action having a significant effect on the human environment. Therefore, an environmental impact statement or a supplement to the existing environmental impact statement is not necessary and will not be prepared.

Decision:

Based on the analysis documented in the Environmental Assessment (EA) OR090-99-06 and the Finding of No Significant Impact it is my decision to select the proposed action. Implementation of this action will result in the replacement of the existing bridge located at the south end of Hult Pond. The bridge is located in Section 26 T. 15 S., R. 7 W., W.M. All the project design features identified in the EA will be implemented.

Decision Rationale:

The proposed action is tiered to and is in compliance with the *Record of Decision for Amendments to Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management Planning Documents within the Range of the Northern Spotted Owl, April 1994, and the Eugene District Record of Decision (ROD)/Resource Management Plan (RMP), June 1995*. The Proposed Action will improve safety by: 1) the removal of the constriction in the outlet channel, thus reducing pressure on the dam during periods of high flow. 2) increasing the bridge surface width and installing guardrails, thus improving vehicle containment and passage.

Consultation and Coordination:

Due to the risk of disturbance to nesting murrelets, this project will undergo consultation with U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service. Concurrence is expected from U.S. Fish & Wildlife. Project implementation would be in accordance with any mitigation measures required.

Botany surveys have been completed and no survey and manage or Threatened or Endangered species were found.

The project work would comply with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife time lines for working in stream channels. As a result, water levels would be low and no fish are expected to be present in the project area during the period of work.

Public Comments:

Both the EA and preliminary FONSI were advertised on May 31, 2000, as available for a 30-day public review period in the Eugene Register-Guard. Copies of the EA and preliminary FONSI were mailed to interested individuals on our mailing list. No comments were received on this EA.

Signed by Diana Bus, acting Coast Range Field Manager on July 5, 2000.